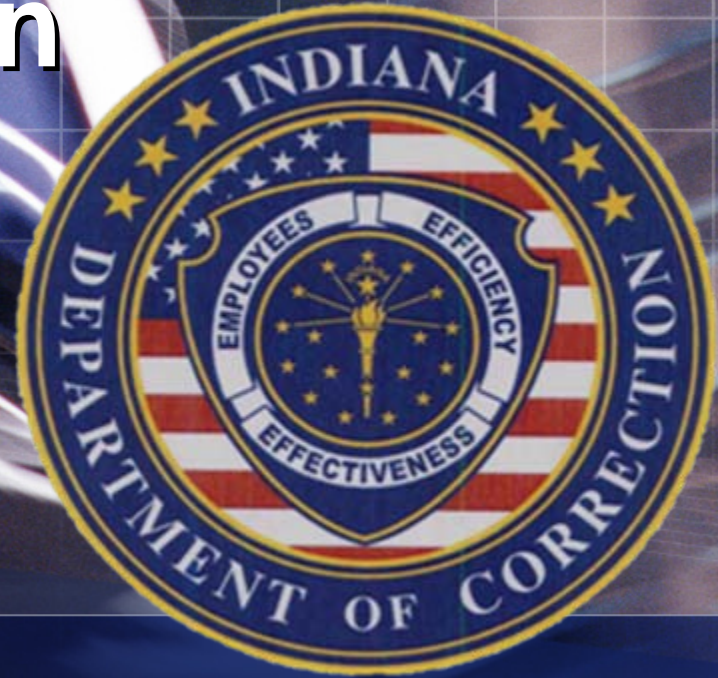


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New Employee Orientation: Universal Precautions

Performance Objectives

- Define bloodborne pathogen.
- Identify ways staff can protect themselves from infection.
- Identify steps for handling spilled blood or bodily fluids.

Definitions

- A bloodborne pathogen is a microorganism found in the blood or other bodily fluids.
- A bloodborne pathogen can cause disease.

All jobs in a correctional facility have some risk of exposure to bloodborne pathogens.

Bloodborne Pathogens

The most commonly encountered bloodborne pathogens are:

- Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV)

and

- Hepatitis B (HBV)

Universal Precautions

Universal Precautions means you take the required steps to prevent exposure to bloodborne pathogens anytime there is the possibility of contact with bodily fluids from any one regardless of their age, appearance, or physical condition.

Protecting Yourself

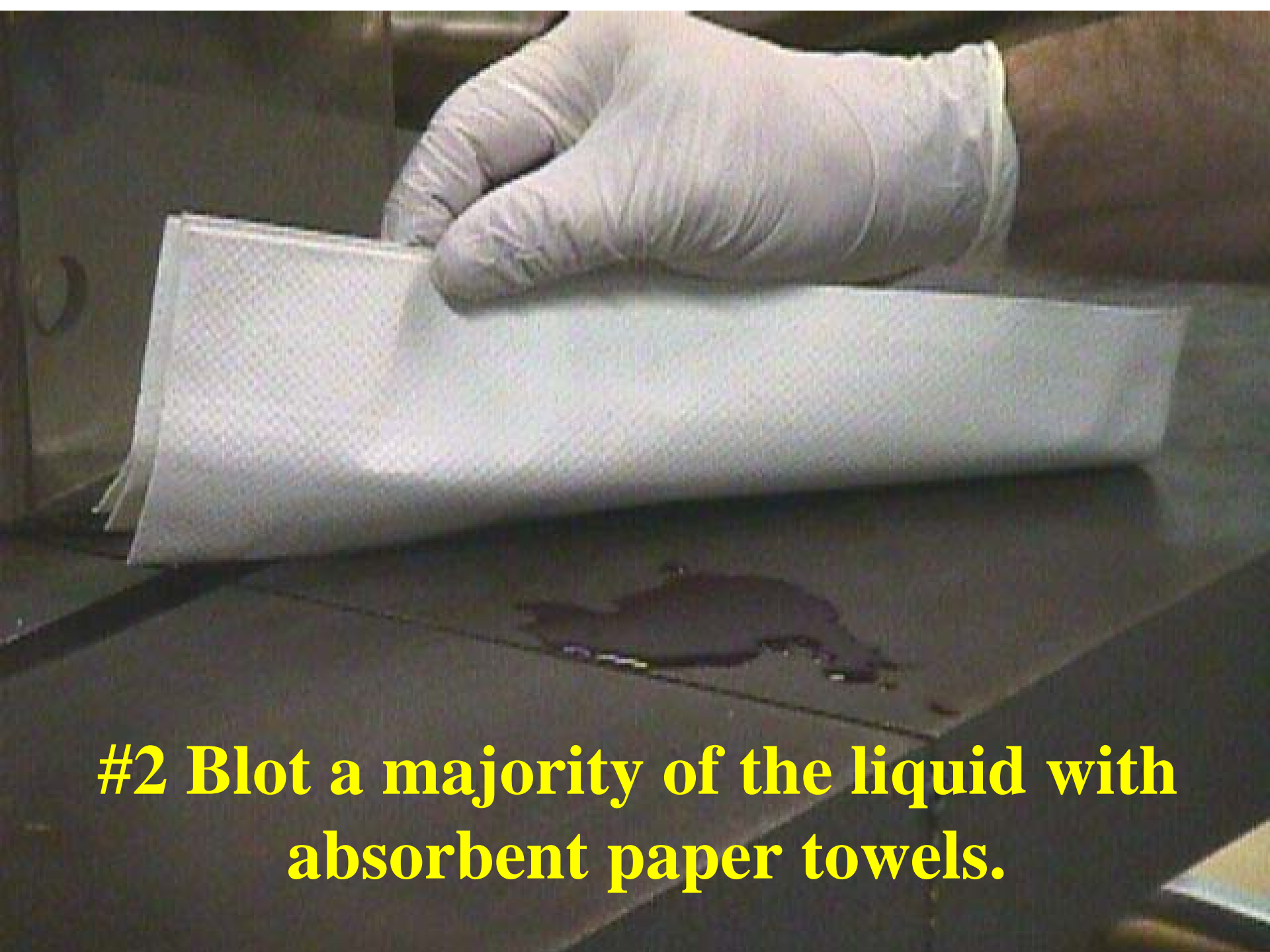
1. Isolate any bodily substance, such as blood, urine, feces or tissue, and handle only with appropriate precautions.
2. Treat all substances as if they were infected.
3. Recognize that a person who does not look sick or have symptoms may still be a disease carrier.



**The following are procedures
for cleaning up a
Blood/Biohazard spill:**

#1 Put on latex gloves.





#2 Blot a majority of the liquid with absorbent paper towels.



#3 Cover contaminated area with a 10% bleach solution.

#4 Wipe up bleach water with paper towels.





**#5 Mop/Clean and sanitize entire area
with bleach water.**



#6 Remove latex gloves by grasping near the wrist area of one hand and pulling it off turning the glove inside-out.

NOTE: Avoid contact with outside of contaminated gloves with unprotected skin.

#7 Hold the inverted glove in the palm of the still protected hand and remove that glove by carefully grasping near the wrist pulling it inside-out over the other contaminated glove.



#8 Deposit all contaminated materials into red biohazard disposal bag, and take to Health Service Unit for pick up by Disposal Contractor.



Hand Washing

Wash your hands after removing latex gloves and sealing biohazard bag.

Preventative Measures

No preventative measures are 100% effective in preventing the spread of infection.

**Use protective equipment
at all times!**

Exposure

All exposure incidents
must be reported to
your supervisor
immediately!

You have now completed *New Employee Orientation: Universal Precautions* module.

Please proceed to the next module.

